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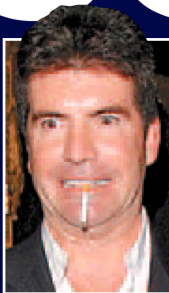
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# YOU'RE A BIG PUFF SIMON



**Walsh's gay  
gag sparks  
Cowell fury**

by KATIE BEGLEY

**FURIOUS** Simon Cowell stormed out of the X Factor studio after cheeky judge Louis Walsh dubbed him a closet gay. Cowell then refused to appear with the Irish music guru on the live ITV2 spin-off The Xtra Factor. The show's Mr Nasty also sparked a health and safety row after flouting strict rules by chain smoking during recording.

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in her  
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# YOUR COUNTRY NEEDS YOU

## Troops get call for sperm war

by IAIN BURCHELL

**BRAVE British soldiers are being recruited for a new mission - solving a national sperm crisis.**

A desperate plea is going out for squaddies to stand to attention as UK fertility clinics' stocks plummet to a record low.

In a move echoing Lord Kitchener's famous First World War recruitment drive, the troops are being told: "Your Country Needs You."

Several soldiers serving in Iraq and Afghanistan are already having sperm frozen in case they are killed or left infertile as a result of the conflict.

Sperm can be used after a man's death if he has given legal consent. But now Army recruits are being approached about our boys donating to ease the heartache of childless couples.

Servicemen will be able to freeze sperm for free for their own personal use in return for donations to the sperm bank run by Fertility4Life.

The company, which has the biggest online sperm bank, has formally approached the Department of Health about launching a recruitment drive among the military.

### Firemen

And fertility experts are working on proposals for a national recruitment campaign to target groups like the police and firemen, as well as soldiers.

The National Gamete Donation Trust, a Government-funded body that helps recruit donors, is focusing on places where "men congregate", such as Army bases and rugby matches.

John Gonzalez, chief executive of Fertility4Life, said: "We have had people inquire about freezing squaddies' sperm and we are looking at the possibility of taking extra stock to help with the diminishing stock of sperm."

The move comes as Britain's biggest chain of private fertility clinics plans to offer a free cycle of IVF treatment worth £2,500 to couples if the man donates.

Fertility clinics have been forced to order emergency supplies from the US and Spain after the number of Brit donors dropped dramatically.

The slump is blamed on a change in the law on anonymity so that test-tube kids can contact their donor dads when they turn 18.

Figures from the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority show only 12 new donors register each month.

Some couples face a five-year wait for treatment.

A recent survey showed two-thirds of fertility clinics are struggling with stocks - and there is only one sperm donor in the whole of Scotland.

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NEW MISSION: The famous poster ... but now recruits are needed to fight infertility



ATTACK: Caroline Spelman

## £4,000 tax threats

by DEAN VALLER

NEW stealth taxes are set to cost families over £4,000 a year.

At least half of UK households face huge council tax rises under a reassessment of property values by a "Big Brother" computer.

And road-pricing plans, dubbed "pay-as-you-drive" are expected to cost an extra £3,000-a-year.

Ministers will use American software to rate a neighbourhood

on the quality of local services and the types of people living there.

The system is being trialled in Northern Ireland, where some families are bracing themselves for a 400% increase on their bills.

Caroline Spelman, the shadow communities and local government secretary, said: "Now Labour intends to tax you not just for every

home improvement but also the neighbourhood you live in."

The Government also wants to charge people for the roads they are driving on and the time of day they travel.

Chris Grayling, the Conservative transport spokesman, said: "The government has run out of ideas and has gone back to the old rhetoric of saying, 'We will price you off the roads.'"

### Happy Birthday

MARATHON-running model Neil McAndrew is 33 today.



### Thought for day

YOU shouldn't drive faster than your guardian angel can fly.

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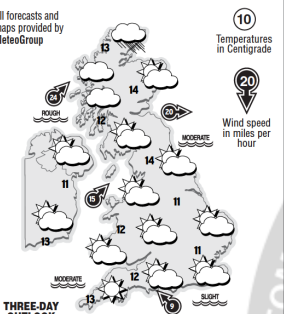
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### INFO STATION

**TODAY:** Early mist and fog across south Wales, the Midlands and southern England will slowly clear. Apart from patchy drizzle across north-west Scotland, the rest of the UK will be dry with decent sunny spells.

**OUTLOOK:** Tomorrow, rain will spread across the UK. However, south-east England will have sunshine after a misty start. Cloudier on Wednesday with showers.

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### THREE-DAY OUTLOOK

Tuesday Showers

Wednesday Showers

Thursday Fair

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Cyprus	0.82 pounds
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United States	1.82 dollars

### EURO

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### ABROAD

Alicante	drizzle	16c (61f)	Moscow	cloudy	-3c (27f)
Corfu	sunny	9c (48f)	N York	sunny	8c (46f)
Dublin	sunny	10c (50f)	Nice	fair	16c (61f)
L.A.	fair	19c (66f)	Paris	sunny	10c (50f)
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### SATURDAY LOTTO NOVEMBER 4

17 30 33 40 42 43 34

One ticket scooped the £3.4m jackpot  
Dream Number: 6-8-4-1-8-3-0. No £500,000 winners  
T'Ball: 2, 4, 8, 18, 33 (T'Ball 10). No £250k T'Ball winners

### WEDNESDAY LOTTO NOVEMBER 1

9 13 14 20 31 35 32

No tickets matched the £2.7m jackpot  
Dream Number: 1-9-0-3-6-7-0. No tickets won £500,000  
T'Ball: 5, 13, 17, 24, 31. (T'Ball 10). One ticket won £250,000.

### EURO MILLIONS

FRIDAY NOV 3

11, 13, 24, 44, 49

Lucky Star Numbers 3, 9

No ticket won the £88.3m jackpot

## Blair's heart rap

TONY Blair was yesterday accused of not telling the truth about his heart condition.

Lord Owen said that the Prime Minister should have been more "open" with the public.

The peer, a trained doctor, said the public had a right to know the truth about the

health of their leaders, particularly in a time of crisis.

Mr Blair, 53, has twice been treated in hospital for his heart condition, once in 2003 and again in 2004.

Lord Owen said: "Blair didn't tell the truth about his heart things."

"These things, I believe, are in the public interest."



# HELLO BOYS

by LINDA HARRISON

■ EVER wondered what your favourite Page 3 girls are REALLY like?

Who's their ideal man, and what do they get up to when they're not on the pages of your favourite newspaper?

Well, wait no longer – because this week you can ring up and find out!

■ Our sexiest Star babes have recorded some special messages where they reveal all.

Kicking off the week in style are Michelle Marsh, left, and brand spanking new Page 3 honey Emily.

■ Call our special number to find out what Michelle's been up to – and how she's aiming for the top with a little help from Girl Power.

The Oldham babe's first single I Don't Do is out today, and she's hoping it'll be a smash hit.

■ "My song is all about girls taking control," says the cheeky 23-year-old. "I'm a bit like that myself – if someone tells me not to do something I take no notice. I always make sure I go ahead and do it anyway!"

The cheeky lass reckons she's onto a winner with the song, which has pop, dance and rock influences.

■ "It's definitely something to get you moving on the dance floor," grins the Celebrity X Factor star, Gorgeous

Michelle's been raking in support for her chart bid, and not least from her old X Factor colleagues.

"I've been chatting to Chris Moyles about the song, we kept in touch after the show," she says.

"Everyone's been great." ■ Foxy Michelle's keen to keep working on her music and plans to release an album in the future.

● Michelle Marsh's new single I DON'T DO is available from HMV, Virgin or Asda. Or it can be downloaded from [www.itunes.co.uk](http://www.itunes.co.uk)

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# NOW FOR THE GOOD NOOSE... SADDAM WILL SWING



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## DAILY STAR SAYS

SADDAM Hussein's execution will not bring peace to Iraq. It may result in further bloodshed.

But the many millions who suffered at his hands will be given justice at last.

Saddam provoked three major wars, with British troops being involved in two of the conflicts. He slaughtered and tortured hundreds of thousands of his own countrymen.

The Iraqi authorities bungled his trial, allowing Saddam to make a mockery of much of the proceedings. But at least they have delivered the correct sentence - death by hanging.

They are now debating whether to televise his final moments on the gallows to prove to ordinary Iraqis that he is no more.

Saddam showed no mercy towards those he killed, so none should be shown to him. Let them see it.

by IAIN BURCHELL

### SADDAM Hussein could be hanged live on TV.

The fallen tyrant was sentenced to death yesterday and Iraq's regime plans to show footage of the execution to prove he is dead.

A senior source in Iraq said last night: "The people will demand to see Saddam swing, it's the only way they will believe he has gone forever."

Photos of his sons Uday and Qusay had to be released in 2003 to convince Iraqis they had been killed.

### Gunfire

Saddam, 69, was convicted of crimes against humanity by a Baghdad court for butchering 148 Shias in 1982.

He looked shocked and furious as the sentence was passed. He refused to stand while Judge Rauf Abdel Rahman read the verdict and had to be hauled to his feet by court bailiffs. Saddam tried to drown him out by shouting: "God is Great" and "Long live Iraq".

An appeal is expected to end in failure within weeks and he will be executed inside 30 days.

Thousands of Shias flooded southern Baghdad, chanting and waving their arms.

Celebratory gunfire rang out with one woman killed and at least 10 wounded.

In the Shia district of Sadr City, people drove

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around in cars and sounded their horns.

Pictures of Saddam were burned in Dujail, scene of the Shia massacre. But in northern

Baghdad police and gunmen clashed.

Seven mortar shells were fired around the Abu Hanifa mosque, the city's holiest Sunni shrine.

In Saddam's hometown of Tikrit, about 1,000 protesters carried pictures of him through the streets.

They chanted: "We will avenge you Saddam."

Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri Maliki said: "He is facing the punishment he deserves."

And Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett said: "Appalling crimes were committed by Saddam Hussein's regime. It's

right that those accused of such crimes against the Iraqi people should face Iraqi justice."

The White House said it was "a good day for the Iraqi people".

Saddam's half brother Barzan Ibrahim and Awad Hamed al-Bandar, the head of Iraq's former Revolutionary Court, were also sentenced to death by hanging.

Former vice president Taha Yassin Ramadan was given life while three other defendants were sentenced to up to 15 years in prison.

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RECOVERY: Richard

## Hammy steams ahead

by BILL MARTIN

RECOVERING Top Gear star Richard Hammond has been offered the ultimate comeback drive in a 200mph steam-powered supercar.

The revolutionary vehicle is being built by a Brit team, aiming to break the world land speed record for a steam-powered car.

The car, named Inspiration, has taken eight years to make and is designed to smash a 100-year-old record.

### Drive

The challenge is similar to the British land speed attempt which left Richard, 36, in hospital. He cheated death when the jet-powered car he was driving crashed at 288mph.

Richard, nicknamed Hamster, has made a remarkable recovery.

Frank Swanton, managing the bid, said: "It would be fantastic for Richard's to drive."



PROTEST: Javine

## Javine's up for a strip

POP star Javine has got her kit off to pose nude for posh royal artist Georgea Blakey.

Georgea, 29, also got models Leilani Dowling, 27, Catherine McQueen, 29, Alicia Douvall, 23, and DJ Sassy to strip off.

The oil paintings - and charcoal sketches - will be auctioned to a celeb audience in aid of anti-fur charity PETA at London's Embassy club on December 5.

### Animal

Georgea, who has put a nude self-portrait up for grabs, said: "I wanted to show them in their natural state, as you'd see any animal."

"Each of the girls chose their favourite animal to be painted into the portrait with them."

Javine, 25 said: "I've always been a big animal lover so I didn't hesitate when Georgea asked me to pose."

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# SIMON WALKS OUT OF AFTER LOUIS JIBE

■ by KATIE BEGLEY  
**FURIOUS** Simon Cowell stormed out of the X Factor studio after cheeky Louis Walsh taunted him with a gay jibe.

Telly's "Mr Nasty" looked stunned when the former Westlife manager Louis took a swipe at his sexuality.

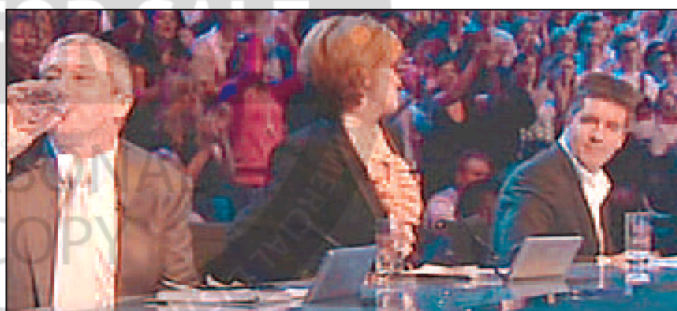
Louis dedicated Eton Road's performance on Saturday night of the ABBA hit Does Your Mother Know to Simon, 47, and then asked him: "Simon, does your mother know ... you're out?"

## Loser

Nearly nine million people heard their bust-up after Cowell branded Louis "spiteful" for dumping 20-year-old Ashley McKenzie out of the ITV talent show.

Later, in an exclusive chat with the Daily Star Louis said: "He never gets a joke when it's aimed at him, so he was a bit confused to start with."

"But he wasn't very happy when he finally figured it out. That - along with the fact he'd



**IF LOOKS COULD KILL:** Simon looks grim after Louis's cheeky gay joke

just seen one of his acts axed - he had a real diva tantrum backstage.

"I will do anything to wipe the smug smile off his face for five minutes."

"I chose Ashley because I thought he was getting as smug as Simon and that's never good."

"Now he's out I think he should give Simon his necklace back!"

Music boss Cowell has been dogged by gay rumours, despite a number of relationships with women. And after

the cameras stopped rolling he was so furious he refused to appear with Louis, 54, on the ITV2 spin-off show The Xtra Factor.

Last night unrepentant Louis hit back, saying: "He thinks he's the best and can't stand it when he loses."

"Both Sharon and I have lost two acts, yet we both carried through with our commitments on The Xtra Factor."

"It shows what a bad loser Simon is - that instead of acting like a true professional, he swans off into the night

never to be seen again. He should be more of a mentor to his acts."

"He's got far too big for his boots this year and I think that the public are starting to realise that."

Simon proved he really is a puff on Saturday night by smoking at the judges table during ad breaks - contravening health and safety rules.

A show insider said: "Simon likes his fags and he is a law unto himself. What he wants, he gets."

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**GRRRRR:** Angry Simon and, above, Ashley, who was booted off the show





Picture: SPLASH



**POP beauty Kylie Minogue arrived in Oz yesterday and whooped with joy to be back on tour.**

Gorgeous Kylie, 38, really couldn't contain her happiness at getting back to doing what she does best - performing for her army of fans.

The singer was forced to cancel her Showgirl tour while she battled breast cancer.

And as she touched down in Australia to prepare for the first gig in Sydney on Saturday, Kylie jumped up and down and clapped her hands.

She squealed: "We're on tour again - woo hoo! I'm thrilled to be back. I've been looking forward to this for such a long time. "It's great to be back home."

Dressed in jeans and a white shirt over a black top, Kylie smiled and

# Kylie is back... and her front's nice too

by NADINE LINGE

waved to well-wishers as she left the airport.

The pint-sized star is determined not to disappoint her fans, despite doctors warning she should take it easy.

## Perfume

First up is a six-week, 20-show tour of her homeland before she heads to Britain in January. Tickets for the Brit leg

of the Showgirl tour sold out in just SIX minutes.

There was no sign of Kylie's French actor boyfriend Olivier Martinez, 40, yesterday - who she credits with keeping her going through her darkest days.

He is expected to fly out to Australia and join her for Saturday's show.

Kylie will launch her own perfume, Darling, in Sydney on Wednesday.

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GOOD TO BE HOME: Kylie arrives back in Oz

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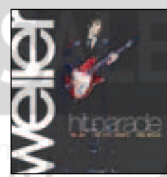
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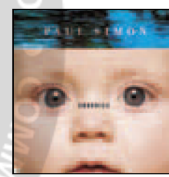
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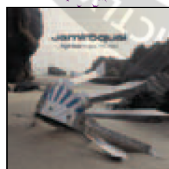
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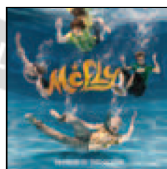
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# Back-street deal to keep secrets from Heather

■ by MARIANNA PARTASIDES  
SIR Paul McCartney paid £200,000 to buy up explosive tapes of his late wife Linda talking about their marriage, it was revealed yesterday.

He thrashed out a deal to obtain the highly-sensitive material at a bizarre secret meeting in a back-street cafe.

And with the tapes safely in his possession, Macca opened his heart about his bitter divorce feud with Heather Mills – branding her a “money-grabbing liar” in front of astonished customers.

There had been speculation that the recordings could give Heather, 38, ammunition in their multi-million pound court battle.

But Sir Paul set up a hush-hush rendezvous with Peter Cox, who was a pal of Linda’s and owns 20 hours of taped private conversations with her.

## Fortune

Peter handed the tapes over to the Beatles legend in a scruffy white envelope and was later paid for them, according to a report.

As the stunned customers listened, Macca revealed for the first time the exact amount of money Lady Mucca is claiming.

He told how she is demanding £80million of his £825m music fortune and added: “All she thinks about is dollars.”

And he confessed that he was “miserable” and felt “bullied” by the ordeal Heather was putting him through.

In a frank conversation with Peter, Sir Paul said: “Everyone knows she’s a liar. She even lied in her autobiography. Everybody knows that.”

Literary agent Peter, 51, who



ALLEGATIONS: Paul and Linda

met Linda in 1989 while working on a vegetarian cookery book with her, arrived at the central London meeting point just before 10am last Wednesday, carrying a large white envelope.

Sir Paul, 64, arrived a few minutes later in a chauffeur-driven car and sat with Peter at the back of the cafe.

Just over half an hour later, he was seen leaving with the same envelope, said to contain the tapes, which Peter had handed over.

## Denied

One customer who was sitting near the pair, said: “The bearded guy gave Paul the huge white envelope and said ‘this is for you’.” “Paul immediately broke the seal and began rummaging inside.”

The tapes are said to contain explosive details of Sir Paul’s marriage to Linda, who died from breast cancer in 1998.

It was thought to be one of the most successful marriages in showbiz.

But Heather had hoped to get her hands on the tapes in the belief they contained information to support her claims that Sir Paul was abusive towards her.

His lawyers have always strongly denied the allegations.

A spokesman for Sir Paul yesterday had no comment to make and no-one was available to comment on Heather’s behalf last night.

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RICH PICKINGS: Macca and Cox outside cafe

Pictures: SOLO SYNDICATION

# MACCA'S GOT LINDA TAPES FOR £200K



HUSH-HUSH: McCartney meets Linda's pal Peter Cox in a Soho Square cafe called Eat

## Iraqi in second knifing

A JUDGE said it “begged belief” an Iraqi who should have been deported after butchering one love rival was allowed to stay to nearly kill another.

Asylum seeker Caliph Ali Asmar, 25, should have been deported after he was jailed for two years for stabbing Lee Simpson.

Mr Simpson, 31, had been trying to protect Asmar’s ex-girlfriend.

## Life

But Asmar was allowed to stay – and five months later knifed Latvian Arunas Rutkas, 33, puncturing his lungs.

Asmar, who was living in Hull, East Yorks, had been trying to contact the same ex-girlfriend.

Judge Tom Cracknell jailed Asmar for life and told Hull Crown Court: “It beggars belief that he wasn’t deported.”

## Croc star mocked

AUSSIE theatre bosses are planning a bizarre panto mocking tragic croc hunter Steve Irwin.

The cruel revue portrays Irwin, who died aged 44 in September, with dancing stingrays singing the song, Let That Stingray Of Love Pierce Your Heart.

It contains barbed lyrics such as “I want to die loving myself to death”.

## Gas price rises beyond a joke?

There seems to be no end to gas price rises.

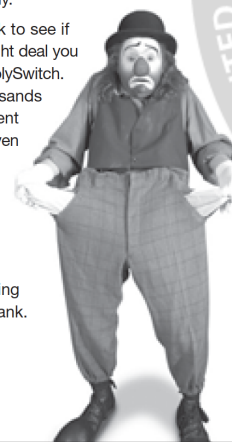
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## BB winner's girlfriend

**PETE**

**BIG Brother winner Pete Bennett's girlfriend flew from Japan for a 48-hour sex session with her fella.**

by NADINE LINGE

Tourette's sufferer Pete, 24, begged Gemma Costain, 22, to abandon her round-the-world trip.

She was just three weeks into a holiday of a lifetime that was scheduled to

take almost four months. Student Gemma jetted 6,000 miles on an 11-hour flight to be reunited with him.

As soon as she touched down in Britain, Pete hauled her off to bed for the weekend.

The couple lost count of the number of times they made love, but are believed to have hit double figures and some.

Grimming Pete took a short break from their love-in to say: "It was wicked. We couldn't bear to be apart any longer. It's a secret she's back."

"I have been telling everyone she's still away but she flew back secretly on Friday night. I picked her up and took her back here. We were both going crazy we missed each other so much."

"I didn't want to spend a second separated from Gemma. There's no way I'm letting her go again. I'm over the moon to have her back."

"She's my girl and we are totally together. She's wicked, she's back and she's fantastic. "Most of the time she was away I just stayed in and worked on my music. It did give me inspiration and it's going well, you should be able to hear some of it soon."

### Upset

Madcap Pete, who dumped BB moaner Nikki Grahame, 24, to be with Gemma, who was once a stripper known as Cherry, also admitted he hopes to have kids with his outrageous sweetheart.

He said: "We are completely f\*\*\*ing wicked with each other in every way I don't just want to have one baby with her. I want to have lots of babies."

Body-pierced Gemma, who's dyed her bright-red hair green, added: "Pete was just too busy with his recording to come to Japan and I missed him so much."

"Our relationship is well wicked. I was really upset about going because I had only just started living with him in London. Everything about Pete is just amazing."

"We have a close bond and it's much deeper than people think."

The couple were living in 80s popstar Adam Ant's old flat in trendy Primrose Hill, north London, before Gemma and pal Michelle Murphy, 24, jetted off on their trip.

The holiday had been planned before the exotic dancer and Pete got together after he won Big Brother.

As a raunchy farewell they put on a steamy lesbian show before the Brighton rocker, who famously has an 11-inch manhood, joined in.

Despite an army of female admirers, Pete only has eyes for art student Gemma.

At a Brighton book signing for his autobiography Pete: My Story he was besieged by 300 girls.

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FUN: With Celeb BB star Chantelle's book



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# Snappers pledge no more pics as Posh reveals her son's epilepsy



**HAPPY FAMILY:** Romeo on his famous father's shoulders

# WE'LL LAY OFF BRAVE ROMEO

■ by NADINE LINGE  
**PHOTOGRAPHERS** around the world yesterday pledged to stop taking pictures of little Romeo Beckham after mum Victoria revealed he was battling epilepsy.

The four-year-old was diagnosed with the frightening condition which causes violent and potentially-fatal fits.

And the Beckhams were left terrified a photographer's flashbulb could trigger an episode in the tot.

The youngster has been warned to steer clear of flashing lights which can cause a seizure.

His condition was revealed after he became upset as lensmen tried to snap him at an airport last month.

Romeo threw an arm across his eyes and screamed with fright.

Victoria, 32, terrified that he might suffer a fit, screamed: "Leave him alone. He's got epilepsy."

"All that flashing will start an epileptic fit. You can't do that."

Celebrity snappers across the globe yesterday vowed to quit taking his picture.

A spokesman for the world-famous Big Pictures paparazzi agency said: "If Romeo does have epilepsy then we certainly wouldn't take flash pictures of him."

## Danger

"That goes for anyone who suffers from an illness like that, not just the Beckhams. There's no way any of us would want to aggravate someone's medical condition."

And Kevin Smith, who runs picture agency Splash News, added: "No picture is worth putting a child's life in danger."

Blonde Romeo has been rushed to hospital four times in three years after suffering traumatic attacks.

At first they were thought to be febrile convulsions, which are common in infants and cause high temperature and seizures.

Specialists tested him for epilepsy after the fits continued and prescribed med-



**DISTRAUGHT:** Dad Becks

ication to help control the condition.

Distraught Posh and ex-England skipper David, 31, turned to Romeo's godfather Sir Elton John, 59, who has epilepsy, for advice.

A spokeswoman for the Beckhams said: "We never comment on any medical matters to do with the children."

"But we've all worked hard to protect children from photographers - it's the parents who are newsworthy, not the kids."

"That's something David and Victoria feel very strongly about."

Romeo's first attack happened in October 2003 and he was taken to a hospital in Essex.

Last July he was rushed to the same hospital and three months later suffered convulsions at the family's Madrid home.

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**UPSET:** Posh pushes Romeo through London's Heathrow Airport as he shields his eyes from the cameras

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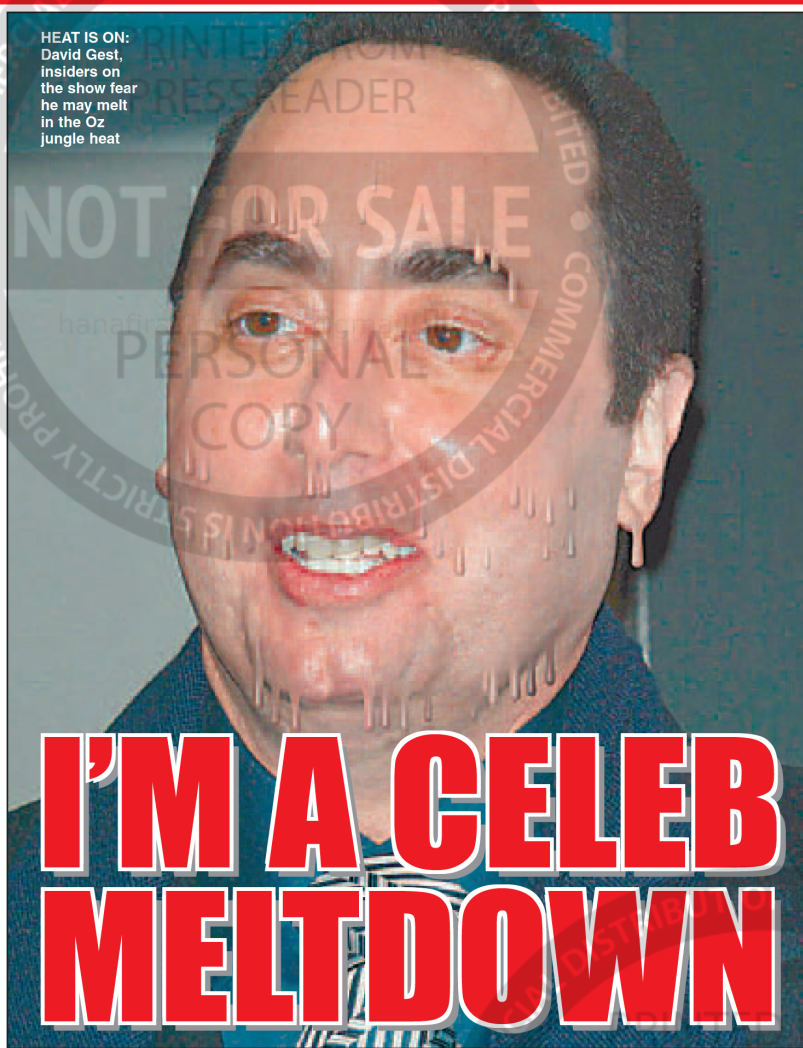
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David Gest,  
insiders on  
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# I'M A CELEB MELTDOWN

## Fears for Minnelli's ex in jungle furnace

**I'M A Celebrity bosses fear freaky-looking star David Gest will MELT in the jungle heat.**

The 53-year-old ex-husband of Liza Minnelli – who's rumoured to have had endless facelifts – is set to join the show this month.

But producers are concerned how the weird celeb, a pal of Wacko Jacko, will cope Down Under as temperatures in the outback are reaching an all-time high.

They are worried that if he has had as much plastic surgery as is rumoured, his face might melt in the 40C heat.

An insider said: "David has never revealed publicly if he has had surgery but everyone assumes he has – because of the way he looks."

"The jungle is going to be hotter than ever this year with daily temperatures of between 35-40C."

### Shade

"The stars are really going to suffer and now there's a worry that David might quite literally melt like a wax candle."

"The celebs are only allowed one luxury, so maybe the producers will make him take a parasol in the bush. He'll look like Emily Howard on Little Britain trying to shade from the sun."

Record boss and concert promoter David married Liza, 60, back in 2002 in a blaze of publicity.

But the oddball couple's marriage didn't last and

by PETER DYKE

ended in a bitter split some 18 months later.

Gest ended up suing her for £7million claiming she had been violent and abusive during the marriage.

I'm A Celebrity starts next Monday on ITV and will again be hosted by Ant, 30, and Dec, 31.

Producers have almost finalised the line-up, tipped to include: former Hear'Say babe Mylene Klass, 28; funnygirl Faith Brown, 58 and 29-year-old celebrity fashion designer Scott Henshall.

Ex-Emmerdale actress Malandra Burrows, 40; model Paula Hamilton, 48; Cherie Blair's half-sister Lauren Booth, 39; former Corrie actor Chris Quinten, 48; ex-BBC news reader Jan Leeming, 63 and ex-Busted singer Matt Willis, 23, may also be in.

A source said: "There will be fireworks."

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## Flight Dec!

■ JUNGLE hosts Ant and Dec looked on top of the world when they arrived Down Under yesterday.

The Geordie duo were all smiles as they collected their luggage in Sydney International Airport.

■ Ant McPartin, 30, and Declan Donnelly, 31, above, made the long-haul flight then travelled on to base where they will take charge of the hit ITV1 show.



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## Check out the bubbly

THE best supermarket own-label champagnes are as good, or better, than many top brands, says food critic Egon Ronay, 91.

He found three "excellent" quality store lines, far cheaper than most big-name champagnes.

## Buffalo hit by trucker

A HAULIER driving his wagon home from work hit and killed a water buffalo that had escaped from a nearby farm.

Shocked Ron Storey, 66, of Prudhoe, Northumberland, said: "I couldn't believe it."

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SO CLOSE: Kayleigh, Katie, Danielle and Louise

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# FIRST PIC OF TRAGIC TEEN PALS

## Star pupils die in car skid horror

**THESE** are the four "little angels" killed when a teen driver crashed his mum's car three days after passing his test.

Close pals Louise Jones, 16, Kayleigh Parry, 16, Katie Roberts, 15, and Danielle Caswell, 15, were in the back of the Vauxhall Corsa when it careered off a mountain road.

The four "A-grade pupils" had posed for this picture just a few weeks before the tragedy.

### Shrine

Now their devastated families are preparing for their funerals, which could be held together because the girls were inseparable.

A shrine of flowers and photos adorned their school gates and one tribute said: "Heaven has gained four little angels - we will miss you for ever."

Police say six people were in the Corsa - with the four girls crammed in the back and not wearing seatbelts - when the car skidded off the narrow, winding road near Ebbw Vale, South Wales.

Locals said the driver was a 17-year-old school pal who had passed his test three days earlier. He

### by WILLIAM MOSLEY

had borrowed his mum's car to take a friend, also 17, and the four girls out during the half-term break from Glyncoed High School, Ebbw Vale.

They were driving along the B4560, one of the highest roads in Wales, in temperatures of about -5°C when the car

skidded off and ended up 70 metres away on moorland.

Both boys survived with minor injuries but all four girls were dead at the scene.

Superintendent Dean Richards said: "We need to piece together exactly what has happened in this tragedy."

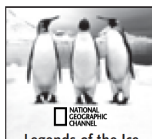
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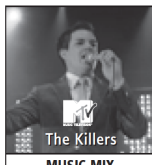
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TOO YOUNG: Charlotte

## Charlie denies 'baby'

CHARLOTTE Church yesterday denied she is pregnant.

But she said her boyfriend Gavin Henson, 24, would make a "great dad".

Friends close to the singer, 20, claimed she was expecting after putting on a few pounds, quitting cigarettes and refusing to drink alcohol.

### Time

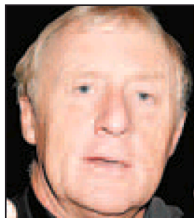
But Charlotte said: "I'm far too young for that. There is plenty of time for children in the future."

"We are still blissfully in love and I'm sure we will have kids one day."

"Gav is lovely, things are still going really well, even though we have been together ages."

"So maybe one day we will have kids. I'm sure he will make a great dad one day. But certainly not now."

Charlotte was visiting a children's hospital in her home town of Cardiff.



DENIAL: Host Chris

## Tarrant show is 'harder'

THE makers of Who Wants To Be A Millionaire? have been accused of setting tougher questions because too much cash is being won.

ITV is said to have told producers to make the show hosted by Chris Tarrant harder to win after Ingram Wilcox, 62, won £1million in September.

### Drop

The hit show has already forked out £1.34m in prizes in four shows - with another 18 to come this series. In the whole of the last series, the total paid out was £2m.

Quiz fans also say there has been a drop in punters entering via the premium rate phone line, which helps towards the prize fund.

Tarrant, 60, denies the claims. ITV and makers Celador called them "categorically untrue".



SPARKLING: Coleen and Wayne are both fronting Coke adverts

# COLEEN & WAYNE'S COKE DEAL!

■ by IAIN BURCHELL

**SPARKLING Coleen McLoughlin is signing a six-figure deal to put the fizz into soft drink sales.**

And it means the stylish WAG, 20, will star in an advert with fiancé Wayne Rooney for the first time.

Coleen is the new face of Diet Coke and England striker Roo, 21, fronts Coca-Cola Zero.

The star couple will now appear on billboards together before Christmas.

And Coleen and Manchester United star Wayne are also tipped to team-up together in a big-budget telly commercial early next year.

A source on the ad campaign said yesterday: "This is being seen as a major coup for Coke as it is the first

## She lands megabucks job with Roo drinks firm

company to get Wayne and Coleen to star in an advert together

"Until now they have always wanted to be seen as separate acquisitions."

### Queen

The insider revealed: "The Coleen deal is virtually agreed and is on the verge of being signed."

Col's Coke deal - which could top £250,000 - is set to be formally announced later this month.

The insider added: "She is young, pretty - and she happens to love Diet

Coke. The idea of having Wayne and Coleen as the King and Queen of Coke was irresistible."

Coca-Cola is the latest worldwide brand to sign up both Wayne and Coleen - but none of the others have teamed them up together.

Marketing experts have tipped Wayne and Coleen to be even bigger than Brand Beckham. They predict the couple will rake in £100million.

That would overshadow Posh, 32, and Becks, 31, whose commercial empire is worth an estimated £75m.

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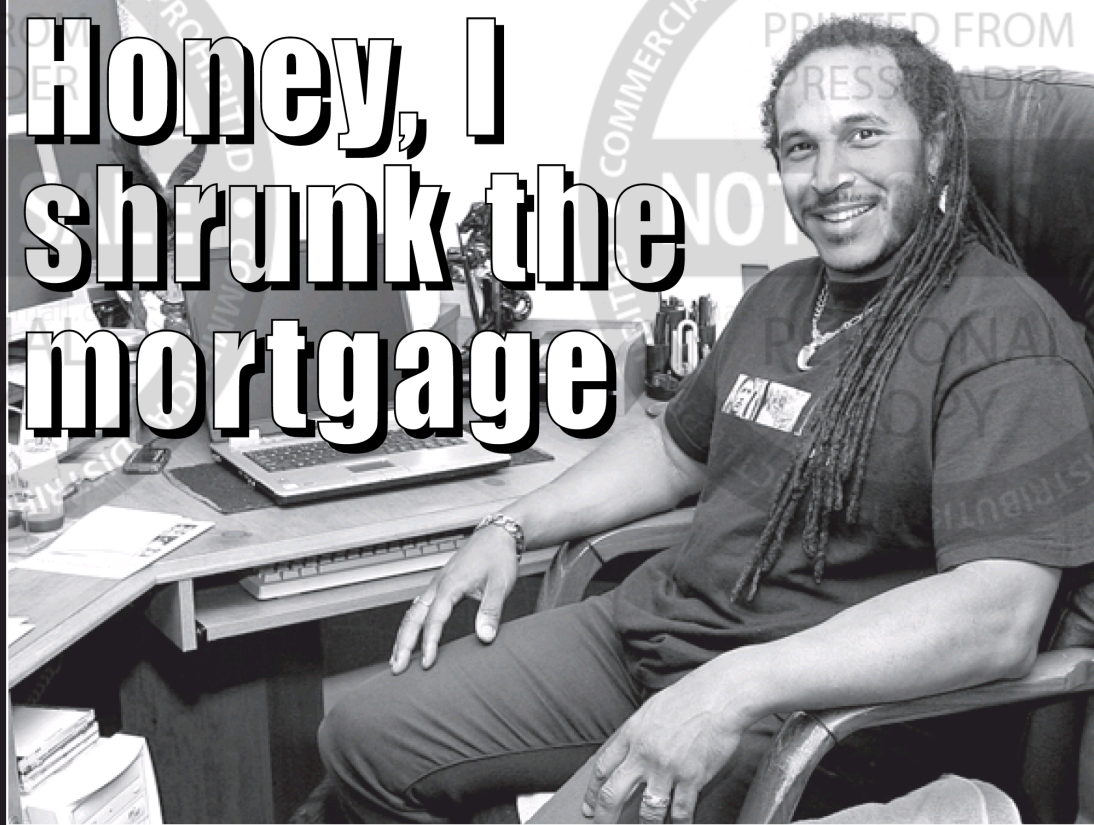
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## Jade's face of courage

**BRAVE** Jade Goody raises a smile as she waits for the results of bowel cancer tests.

The 25-year-old mum was hospitalised last week with crippling pain. She was spotted heading to a Midlands clinic with boyfriend Jack Tweedy, 19.



Pictures: BIGPICTURESPHOTO.COM

# FAMILY RALLY TO RESCUE BRUNO



TORMENT: Friends fear for Frank

## They vow to help him quit coke

**FRIENDS and family of tormented Frank Bruno are trying to send him back to a psychiatric unit.**

They fear drugs and hooker binges could drive him to his second mental breakdown in three years.

A source close to them said last night: "They don't like the idea of men in white coats returning for him, but they

by CAMERON MILLAR

are at their wits' end. He's spiralling completely out of control."

The former heavyweight champ is said to have snorted 14 lines of cocaine during a romp with a hooker.

### Huge

The 44-year-old father-of-four was sectioned in 2003 in Goodmayes Hospital in Ilford, Essex, where doctors

diagnosed manic depression. Hooker Daniella Hutson, 28, said: "Frank's got a huge appetite for coke - he always used it before and during sex."

"He snorts line after line after line. He even called a dealer halfway through the sex session."

His agent David Davies said: "Frank has apologised to his family and would like to apologise to his friends and to his fans. This won't happen again."

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